





A COOK who was found in possession of

Nothing can equal the daring of the Chinese thief. A smart man has been scooping in all the brass name-plates he could lay his hands upon in Singapore, and

These have often been complaints of pick-pockets loafing about the Post Office stamp-window, and one of these gentry was sent to jail for 28 days by the Acting Magistrate.

to-day for attempting to pick the pocket of Choi Yuk Chi, a clerk in Mr Reece's office, yesterday.

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THERE will be the usual monthly service for children at Union Church to-morrow, commencing at 4 p.m. Adults are cordially invited. A collection will be taken on behalf of the Sunday School library: gifts of books towards the same object may be sent to the

There is a rumour in town that the Government are endeavouring to form a Committee to control the future of Queen's College. It seems the Secretary of State has ordered that the College shall be placed under the direction of a Governing Body.

were brought up on remand accused of complicity in the recent theft at 4, Ripon Terrace, but as they had been staying on the premises with friends employed there, and as there was no evidence to connect

them with the theft, they were released from custody.

THE Band of the 1st Shropshire I. I. ...

play the following programme at the Gymkhana Meeting this evening, commencing at 5 o'clock:—

March .....	'March thro' Georgia' .....	Millar.
Overture .....	'Robbie Burns' .....	Elliot.
Ballet Music in 'William Tell' .....		Rossini.

Selection (2nd) .....	'Coster Songs' .....	Cheneller .....
Romanza .....	'Non è Ver' .....	Tito Mattei .....
Valse .....	'Follette' .....	Fahrbach .....
Galop .....	'The Cyclists' .....	Kupler .....

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THE TACY WRITER OF 'TANING OF THE WHEEL' IS

the Singapore Free Press is responsible for the following:—One of the modern fads, a perversion of *ex pede Herculem*, is the attempt to read character from handwriting.

the face, the palm of the hand, the clothes worn, the shape of the body, the shape of the nose (ours is a Roman-Norman aquiline), the colour of the hair, eyes,

happy to offer another character-clue to the wisdom of the world,—telegrams. The inspiration struck him while reading the answers of the Governors of Singapore and

Hongkong to the congratulatory telegram of the Prince of Wales at the Silver Anniversary of the Eastern Telegraph Co. Our own Governor (bless him!) sent a short,

the Governor of Hongkong 'presented his humble duty,' and bowed, and scraped, and flattered, and protested, and played the

poration address to the Hair Apparent.  
We have a good guess which was the more  
appreciated by H. R. H., and we defy  
*Tit-bits* or *Pick-me-up*, or any other

metaphysical print that dabbles in these mysteries, to invent a better character-gauge than ours. Don't we know the disposition of Reuter by his telegrams, *par exemple?*

THE old U.S. man-of-war *Marion* was badly damaged by fire in the big dock at Mare Island on the 4th ult.

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*Cheung Hock Kian* went into the same Dock on the following morning.

ACCORDING to a fashionable woman's tailor, recently interviewed in America, as reported

trousers at home nowadays, society girls secretly donning the costume of the sterner sex, with great regularity, in the seclusion of boudoir and bedroom. It is also quite common for them to wear the bifurcated

the more daring of the girls have as yet had the trousers cut in the same way as those worn by their fathers and brothers, the majority contenting themselves with wearing inexpressibles so loose as to deceive the

of the garment gathered at the ankle, in pretty much the way to be seen in pictures representing Oriental women. Some of the girls are wearing trousers of the most wonderful hues in their own rooms. The

factories they are made or are just as wonderful as the colours woven in them. During the warm spells they are made of the richest China silks, with weird and most remarkable flowers upon a background of the faintest blue and other hues. These

trousers are never intended to be seen by the male eye. Another, and by far more attractive male attire for the ladies, is a pair of tight-fitting garments of blue, black, and tawn-colored broadcloth. These trousers are also made of velvet and of

heavy silk. Sometimes they are cut short at the knee, and others extend down to the heels of the dainty slipper, just exposing an inch or two of variegated-colored hose. These and similar eccentricities of apparel are not at all rare among Brooklyn girls.

one of whom, according to a *Citizen* reporter, said frankly: 'I always wear trousers in my own room. They are so much more comfortable than loose wrappers. A wrapper causes a great deal of annoyance when one wants to tumble about and be comfortable

Besides, it is so much easier to keep the trousers clean and neat. The skirt will scrape up every conceivable kind of dirt that may have settled on the floor. There is nothing immodest about my trousers; but it would be very unusual for me

to appear at dinner with them. These costumes are really much cheaper than the flimsy dressing-gown that makes one look like a rag-baby. One pair of loose-fitting, comfortable trousers, gathered at the ankles and held up by the waist

by a silk sash, will last for an almost indefinite period and give the wearer comfort a few hours each day at least.

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